



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Director of Parks and Recreation

At its meeting held May 18, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Supervisor Molina's revised recommendation to support AB 2064 (Goldberg), as amended on May 3, 2004, legislation which would propose new guidelines for the State Parks Department in future State bond acts with regard to how urban parks are defined and designed, provide for a portion of expenditures to be made on park-poor underserved areas in proportion to other conservation efforts, and helps to clarify that in the future State park projects can include active recreation uses in heavily urbanized areas; and send a five-signature letter to the State Legislature in support of the bill; also instruct the Director of Parks and Recreation to speak on behalf of the bill at the upcoming State hearings.

Supervisor Molina made the following revised statement:

"State Parks and Recreation is a leader in parks and open space; they provide resources and planning tools for cities and special districts. They coordinate important planning efforts and convene discussions about Statewide recreation and open space needs. Los Angeles County is one of the most park-poor counties in the United States.

"A recent study by the Trust for Public Land shows that over 700,000 Los Angeles City residents do not have access to a park within a one-mile distance of their homes. The purpose of Assembly Bill 2064 (Goldberg) is to enhance the delivery of urban parks through the cooperative efforts of State parks and local jurisdictions. Los Angeles is park-poor and this bill will bring to the forefront the needs of urban residents in Los Angeles and throughout California."

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Timothy Gallagher, Director of Parks and Recreation, addressed the Board.

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Went on record in support of AB 2064 (Goldberg), as amended on May 3, 2004, legislation which would propose new guidelines for the State Parks Department in future State bond acts with regard to how urban parks are defined and designed, provide for a portion of expenditures to be made on park-poor underserved areas in proportion to other conservation efforts, and helps to clarify that in the future State park projects can include active recreation uses in heavily urbanized areas;
2. Instructed the Executive Officer of the Board to send a five-signature letter to the State Legislature in support of AB 2064; and
3. Instructed the Director of Parks and Recreation to speak on behalf of the bill at the upcoming State hearings.

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